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1. The following air activity was observed at Brandenburg-Arado airfield between 22 December 1953 and 13 January 1954:

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22 December. Between 10 a.m. and noon, there was air activity by Il-10s. a number of ground attack aircraft from Brandenburg-Briest took off and landed at Arado. At 4 p.m., 27 aircraft were parked on the eastern edge of the field.

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23 December. No flights were made. During the morning, some Il-10s taxied into hangar No 4. Toward the evening, 16 Il-10s were counted on the eastern edge.

2 to 5 January. There was no air activity.

6 January. Between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. there was air activity by Il-10s.

7 and 8 January. No air activity was conducted. Seventeen Il-10s were parked on the eastern edge.

9 January. Between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., about 9 ground attack aircraft were involved in flying.

10 January. No aircraft were observed aloft.

11 January. Some Il-10s were observed flying over the field.

12 January. There was no air activity.

13 January. At 6:40 a.m., the loud noise of engines was heard from the field. About 8:40 a.m., some aircraft took off. One aircraft skidded, apparently because of the icy surface on the landing strip. Thereupon, air activity by ground attack aircraft was discontinued. Between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., local flights were made by a Po-2. About 4 p.m., 27 aircraft were counted on the eastern edge of the field.

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2. At 11 a.m. on 31 December, 16 Il-10s were counted at the field. On 5 January, 15 Il-10s were parked on the dispersal areas. Around noon on 6 January, individual flights were made by Il-10s and one Po-2. One Il-10

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3. On 25 December, 14 tractors with a cable winch at the front side were being loaded. One tractor each was dispatched to Wittstock, Stendal, Schoenefeld, Brandis, Koethen, Falkenberg, Grossenhain, Ellerbahn, and Lindau.

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On 25 December, 2 officers and 15 air force soldiers left Altstadt railroad station by rail and were dispatched to various other railroad stations, mostly in the Cottbus area.

1. Comment. Brandenburg-Adaco airfield is still occupied by a ground attack regiment, which is believed to be equipped with about 40 Il-10s. A maximum of 51 aircraft were reported. The aircraft of the regiment are

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2. Comment. It is unknown where the tractors had come from. the tractors probably belong to the 124th Heavy How Arty Brig IV (US designation).

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